



COMMONS REGISTRATION ACT 1965

Reference No.35/U/9

In the Matter of The Green,
Stoke-by-Clare, West Suffolk.

DECISION

This reference relates to the question of the ownership of land known as The Green, Stoke-by-Clare, being the land comprised in the Land Section of Register Unit No.V.G.12 in the Register of Town or Village Greens maintained by the West Suffolk County Council of which no person is registered under section 4 of the Commons Registration Act 1965 as the owner.

Following upon the public notice of this reference no person claimed to be the freehold owner of the land in question and no one claimed to have information as to its ownership.

I held a hearing for the purpose of inquiring into the question of the ownership of the land at Bury St. Edmunds on 30th January 1972.

At the hearing the Stoke-by-Clare Parish Council was represented by Mr. D.A. Smith, its Chairman. Mr. Smith said that the land in question used to belong to the lord of the manor, but that he did not know the name of the present lord of the manor.

In the absence of any evidence I am not satisfied that any person is the owner of the land, and I shall accordingly direct the West Suffolk County Council, as registration authority, to register the Stoke-by-Clare Parish Council as the owner of the land under section 8(3) of the Act of 1965.

I am required by regulation 30(1) of the Commons Commissioners Regulations, 1971 to explain that a person aggrieved by this decision as being erroneous in point of law may, within 6 weeks from the date on which notice of the decision is sent to him, require me to state a case for the decision of the High Court.

Dated this 21st day of February 1973

Chief Commons Commissioner